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CORNING ANNOUNCES \$150 MILLION EXPANSION AT TRIVIUM CORPORATE CENTER

On September 28, Corning Incorporated (NYSE:GLW) announced plans for a manufacturing expansion in Trivium Corporate Center in Hickory. Corning will invest \$150 million and create 200 jobs. Salaries will vary by position, but the average annual compensation for the new jobs will be \$55,000, an 25% increase compared to Catawba County's average wage. The Corning expansion will occupy and expand the Stonemont Spec Building in Trivium Corporate Center.



Corning's completed manufacturing facility at Trivium Corporate Center is shown above in the foreground with the Stonemont Spec Building, the site of Corning's future expansion, behind

"We believe the industry is in the early stages of a major growth cycle, and we're turning once again to the highly skilled local workforce in Catawba County to help us meet the demand," said Michael A. Bell, senior vice president and general manager, Corning Optical Communications. "With this capacity expansion, Corning is addressing demand from leading network operators -- in particular AT&T, which previously announced plans to significantly expand its fiber footprint. We deeply appreciate the support of local and state officials, including county board chair Randy Isenhower and Hickory Mayor Hank Guess."

"We are grateful for Corning's ongoing contributions to our local economy," said Randy Isenhower, chair, Catawba County Board of County Commissioners. "The company's investments in their Hickory and Newton facilities have continued to benefit our local economy by helping us to maintain our low tax rate, resulting in even more opportunities for people to enjoy our good quality of life in Catawba County."

"Continued innovation of technology and communications has never been more important than it is today," said Hank Guess, City of Hickory mayor, and chair, Trivium Corporate Center Board of Directors. "The onset of the pandemic highlighted our need to be connected to each other and communicate effectively with each other even when we aren't able to physically be together."

"As we celebrate Corning's newest expansion, the Catawba County Economic Development Corporation is committed to working in partnership with Catawba County and all of our municipalities to grow our economy and provide quality opportunities for the 174,000 workers in the Hickory MSA labor force," said Dr. Garrett Hinshaw, chair of Catawba County EDC, and president of Catawba Valley Community College. "The EDC places a high priority on growing and training our labor force to ensure employers such as Corning have an ever-expanding pipeline of workers to support their needs over the long term. We encourage all of our employers to become involved with the many workforce-oriented opportunities available to every company in Catawba County such as K-64, CVCC's Workforce Solutions Complex, the Manufacturing Solutions Center, Hickory4Vets, Apprenticeship Catawba, and others."

For more information about Corning, including job opportunities, visit www.corning.com. For more information about Trivium, visit www.hickorync.gov/trivium-corporate-center.

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HICKORY CITY COUNCIL

Tuesday, December 7 & 21
7 p.m.

Julian G. Whitener
Municipal Building (City Hall)
HickoryNC.gov



CITY HOLIDAY CLOSURES:

THANKSGIVING

November 25 & 26

CHRISTMAS

December 23, 24, & 27

NEW YEAR'S EVE

December 31



BUGSY MALONE

December 3 - 18

Hickory Community Theatre
HickoryTheatre.org

1940s CHRISTMAS RADIO HOUR

December 10 at 7 p.m.

December 11 at 2 p.m. & 7 p.m.
Drendel Auditorium - SALT Block
HickoryMusicFactory.com

BOOK WREATHS

Saturday, December 11
1 p.m.

Patrick Beaver Memorial Library

HOLIDAY MOVIE ON THE LAWN

Thursday, December 16
6 p.m.

SALT Block Lawn

INTERNATIONAL CHRISTMAS CONCERT

Saturday, December 18
6 p.m.

Drendel Auditorium - SALT Block
HickoryInternationalCouncil.com

For more events, please visit
HickoryEventsCalendar.com

CURBSIDE LEAF PICKUP BEGINS NOVEMBER 8

Curbside leaf collection begins in Hickory on November 8 and continues until January 14, 2022, per the announced schedule. Each collection area will have two pickups. Time allotted in each area is based on the number of mature trees and the size of the area. This service is dependent on weather and citizens are asked to be patient if pickup is delayed due to inclement weather. For an interactive map, schedule updates, and helpful tips, visit the Leaf Collection page: www.hickorync.gov/leaf-collection. Please call 828-323-7500 with any questions regarding leaf collection in the City of Hickory.

Quadrant	First Pickup	Second Pickup
NW A	November 8 - 12	December 13 - 17
NW B	November 15 - 19	December 20 - 24
SE	November 22 - 26	December 27 - 31
SW	November 22 - 26	December 27 - 31
NE	November 29 - December 10	January 3 - 14

BIKES FOR TYKES & COPS FOR TOTS

The holiday season is a time of giving and sharing joy. Help Hickory's Fire and Police Departments continue the tradition of assisting families in need with special toy collection drives.

Each year, Hickory Fire Department collects new and gently used bicycles and tricycles for local underprivileged kids through its Bikes for Tykes program. Please help by donating and dropping off bikes or tricycles at any of the Hickory fire stations between 8 a.m. and 8 p.m. For directions or questions, call 828-323-7420. The last day to drop off is December 3.

Donated bikes will be distributed to local children at the Catawba County Christmas Bureau drive thru event held at the Hickory Metro Convention Center on December 13 and 14.

Hickory Police Department will collect new toys and monetary donations for this year's Cops for Tots Christmas Wish House, which benefits disadvantaged children aged 13 and under. Participants must pre-register by December 1. Pick up appointments for the Christmas Wish House will be held December 14 and 15 at 109 11th Street NW in Hickory.

Collection boxes for new, unwrapped toys can be located in the lobby of Hickory Police Department at 347 2nd Ave SW. Monetary donations can be mailed to: Cops for Tots, Hickory Police Department, 347 2nd Avenue SW, Hickory, NC 28602. Make checks payable to "Cops for Tots." 100% of donations are used to support children in need or other community childhood programs. For more information, please call 828-261-2691.

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